There Is No Condemnation

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit" (**Romans 8:1**)

[Beloved,] you are never liable as a believer for punishment for your sins. You will be chastised on account of them, as a father chastises his child. That is a part of the Gospel dispensation; but you will not lie struck for your sins as the lawgiver strikes the criminal. Your Father may often punish you as he punishes the wicked. But, never for the same reason. The ungodly stand on the ground of their own demerits; their sufferings are awarded as their due deserts. But your sorrows do not come to you as your due deserts; they come to you as a matter of love. God knows that in one sense your sorrows are such a privilege that you may account them as a boon you do not deserve. I have often thought of that when I have had a severe trouble. I know some people say, "You deserved the trouble." Yes, my dear brethren, but there is not enough merit in all the Christians put together, to deserve such a good thing as the loving rebuke of our heavenly Father. Perhaps you cannot see that; you cannot think that a trouble can come to you as a real blessing in the covenant. But I know that the rod of the covenant is as much the gift of grace as the blood of the covenant. It is not a matter of desert or merit; it is given to us because we need it. But I question whether we were ever so good as to deserve it. We were never able to get up to so high a standard as to deserve so rich, so gracious a providence as this covenant blessing—the rod of our chastening God. Never at any time in your life has a law stroke fallen upon you. Since you believed in Christ you are outside of the law's jurisdiction…You are not under the law, but you are under grace…You are not under Hagar, but under Sarah; under God's covenant of grace. You are a child of promise, and you shall have God's own inheritance. Believe this, that never shall a law stroke fall on you; never shall God's anger in a judicial sense drop on you. He may give you a chastising stroke, not as the result of sin, but rather as the result of his own rich grace to drive the sin out of you, so that you may be perfected [2 Corinthians 7:1, Ephesians 4:12]…even as you are now perfect and complete before him in the blood and righteousness of Jesus Christ [Colossians 2:10]. — **Charles Spurgeon**

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"And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father." (**Galatians 4:6**)

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Worship Service	Sun, 11 AM
Bible Study	Wed, 7 PM

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Reader, do you have a full and complete pardon of sin? Well if you do, it is because He gave His life, and shed His precious blood for you, and bought you; making you to know and confess your sin; beloved *ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ* (1 Peter 1:18-19). Do you have a perfect righteousness? Well if you do, it is because our Heavenly Father hath made His Son sin, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him, that is, in Christ.

WELCOME

Welcome! We're an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor that loves the perfect Gospel of Christ. Beloved, *He shall save His people from their sins* (**Matthew 1:21**). It is our prayer that the Lord will be pleased to *call*, *convict*, and *comfort* you with the gospel of His blood and righteousness (**Isaiah 40:1-2**). You can expect a gospel message that's about 45 minutes, hymns that glorify our Lord, scripture readings, and helpful people to answer any questions you may have.

CONNECTION CARD

We invite everyone to fill out a **Connection Card** (you'll find one in the pew). This is an easy way to keep us informed of what's going on in your life, as well as a place where you can ask questions and update your contact information.

If you are a first-time visitor, please fill one out. As a thank-you, we'd love to send you a copy of '**The religion that comes from God**'.

Do you belong to the Lord Jesus Christ? If you do, you are His purchased possession. We would love to meet you after the service to get to know you better.

WEBSITES

Be sure to visit our websites for gospel articles, audio messages, and books.

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EVENT CALENDAR

Happy Birthday!
Alyson Murphy - April 25th

GRACE ARTICLES

NOT CONDEMNED

"He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God" (**John 3:18**)

"He who believes on him is not condemned." [Beloved,] if we are not condemned, then at no time does God ever look upon His children, when they believe in Christ, as being guilty. Are you surprised that I should put it so? I put it so again: from the moment when you believe in Christ, God ceases to look upon you as being guilty; for He never looks upon you apart from Christ. You often look upon yourself as guilty, and you fall upon your knees as you should do, and you weep and lament; but even then, while you are weeping over inbred and actual sin, He is still saying from heaven, so far as your [salvation] is concerned, [*"Thou art all fair, my love; there is no spot in thee"* (Song of Solomon 4:7)]. You are black as the tents of Kedar—that is yourself *by nature*; you are fair as the curtains of Solomon—that is yourself *in Christ*. You are black—that is yourself in Adam; but comely, that is yourself in the second Adam. Oh, think of that!—that you are always in God's sight comely, always in God's sight lovely, always in God's sight as though you were perfect. For you are complete in Christ Jesus, and perfect in Christ Jesus, as the apostle expresses it in another place. You always stand completely washed and fully clothed in Christ. [Amen!] — **CHARLES SPURGEON**